



NEWSLETTER



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Diary Dates

MAY

29 – Principal’s Tour

JUNE

7 – Assembly 9.00am and
Biggest Morning Tea Event

9 – Pupil Free Day

12 – Public Holiday

15 – Strategic Direction
Information Evening 7.30pm

28 – Assembly

28 – Governing Council 7.30pm

JULY

7 – Last Day 2.15pm Dismissal

2017 TERM DATES

Term 1 - 30 Jan to 13 April

Term 2 - 1 May to 7 July

Term 3 - 24 July to 29 Sept

Term 4 - 16 Oct to 15 Dec

GOVERNING COUNCIL CONTACT DETAILS

The Eden Hills Primary School Governing Council now has a direct email address. Parents are able to send correspondence to the Governing Council via the email address which is managed by the chairperson, secretary and treasurer of the council as well as the leadership team of the school. Any information for the Governing Council such as feedback, new agenda items, or ideas can be sent to dl.0124.govcouncil@schools.sa.edu.au. The Governing Council is responsible for the governance of the school. Any school management issues should be directed to the administration at the school. If you are unsure as to whether your correspondence should be directed to the Governing Council or directly to the school you can use the following table which outlines the roles and responsibilities of each.

Governance	Major Direction	Policy & Planning	Resource management	Monitoring & Review
Governing Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategic directions Policy & planning Resource management Monitoring & Reporting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiates broad direction and vision Develop and approve Site Improvement Plan Develop and Support special programs / projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partnerships Fund raising Programs (e.g. AG) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develops and approves policies that supports the Site Improvement Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Code of conduct Grievance procedures Financial policy Curriculum policies Facilities Dress code Discipline policy SBM 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develops and approves Budget <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approves variations Approves Materials and Services charges Supports Fundraising Approves Canteen Approves Grounds / Facilities management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress of the Site Improvement Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular updates Annual Report Approves Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finance Fundraising Canteen Grounds / Facilities
Day to day Management	Advises on directions	Manages operations	Manages spending	Provides feedback
Principal and Leadership Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educational leadership Daily management Discipline Staff development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides information and advice Recommends areas to develop Recommends future priorities Develops strategies and targets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implements strategies to achieve goals Responsible for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Day to day management Daily Financial management Staff appointments WHS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manages Budget spending <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plans current and future finances Materials and Services charges Fundraising Manages Canteen Oversees Grounds / Facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reports to Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action Plan progress Finance and budget Site achievements Recommends future priorities Drafts Annual Report Monitors staff performance

STRATEGIC DIRECTION INFORMATION EVENING

The Governing Council will be hosting a 1 hour information session on the strategic direction of the school. Governing Council representatives, staff representatives and partnership personnel will be in attendance. The Governing Council has been looking at the strategic direction in depth over the past 5 terms and the staff has worked extensively on an Australian Curriculum aligned inquiry model. The Governing Council would like to receive final input from the parents and will then review the feedback and inform the school on the future broad direction. Further information will be coming home via the Governing Council with an RSVP and an opportunity to forward questions which can then be addressed through the information session, which will be held at school on Thursday 15 June at 7.30pm.

NEW PARKING SIGNS ON WILPENA STREET

The Mitcham Council, in consultation with the school and residents, has updated the kiss and drop zone and associated signage on Wilpena Street. The Council has removed the old crossing zone at the western end oval gate and will be curbing that area in the coming weeks. The eastern crossing is still in use and has the regulated yellow line exclusion zone in place.

The signage has changed and been updated as of Tuesday 23 May. There is now one hour parking available during specified hours in some zones. Unlimited parking is available outside of the hours indicated in these zones. The area between the west and east gates of the oval has a limited no parking time between 8.00am-9.00am and 3.00pm-4.00pm on school days. This is restricted to a 2 minute passenger loading zone. The no stopping zone, where cars cannot be stationary for any reason, has not changed.

It is important to obey the signage and parking rules to ensure child safety and traffic flow. It is also important to understand that the monitoring of this area is the responsibility of the Mitcham Council and is conducted independently by the traffic management division of the Council. The school has no responsibility for, or input into, this.



No Stopping

A "No Stopping" sign means no stopping, at any time, not even to quickly drop someone off.



No Parking

A "No Parking" sign means you can't park, but you can drop off or pick up passengers or goods without leaving your vehicle (i.e. you must be within three metres of your vehicle). You must attend to your business promptly (within two minutes of stopping your vehicle).

ENVIRONMENTAL YOUTH CONFERENCE AT CLELAND

In Week 11 of Term 1 the Green Team leaders went to Cleland to attend an Environmental Youth Conference. We started off by interacting with the other schools by playing a few games, so that we could get to know one another. After this we went bird watching and we were given a sheet with a large variety of birds on it.

In the next session we learnt how to make bee hotels out of bamboo and zip ties. We cut the bamboo to the right size by using massive secateurs. The native bees dig inside the bamboo to make it their home and some cover the holes up.

They also got us to make man-made PVC bee hotels, where we put paper straws instead of plastic because the paper soaks up the water.

We discussed and created an action plan about what we would do to make our school more green and ecofriendly. All the students filled in a green footprint survey and then we compared our results. We all enjoyed ourselves.

Damon & Henry



IS YOUR CHILD RIDING TO SCHOOL SAFELY?

The school has been informed that a student was recently seen riding their bike down the middle of Wilpena Street. This nearly resulted in a serious accident.

While cyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as other road users, they are more vulnerable when travelling on the road. This is especially so for children. Please ensure your child is staying close to the left hand side of the road or riding on the footpath. Below are some safety tips for cyclists.

- Obey the road rules.
- Keep to the left and ride at least one metre clear of the kerb and parked cars.
- Look for people opening car doors in front of you.
- Be seen, during the day wear bright coloured clothing, at night wear light coloured clothing and use a white front light and red rear light.
- Look for other vehicles at intersections - never assume a driver has seen you.
- Ride predictably in a straight line and signal your intention to turn or change lanes.
- Cyclists of all ages are allowed to ride on footpaths.



CROSS COUNTRY



On Friday of Week 3, 25 students represented Eden Hills at the annual SAPSASA district cross country carnival. All students completed the 2 or 3 km course through the Belair National Park. The students should all feel proud of completing this challenging event - persistence and determination were required to finish the race. I look forward to seeing students born in 2008 participate next year! Many thanks to the parents that helped with transport and officiating on the day.

Alex Fitzsimons

SMS MESSAGING AND ATTENDANCE UPDATE

We are now using an electronic Roll Marking system. If your child is absent with no explanation you will receive an automated text message at approximately 9.45am that day and again eight days later if you haven't informed the office of the reason for the absence. If your child is late (arriving after the 8.50am bell) you must come to the front office to sign in on the tablet. The teachers begin taking the roll at 8.50am and if you miss the roll call and don't sign in you will receive a text to say your child is away. This is to ensure that all children are safely at school each day.

Parents are asked to notify the school via text on 0427 016 460 or by phone on 82782243 if your child is going to be absent or arrive after 8.50am.



GATE SAFETY

A reminder to all that the school gates need to be kept shut and not propped open under any circumstance. We have young students, students at risk and young siblings on the school grounds that are at great danger if they have easy access to roads and the surrounding area. Please be very vigilant and help keep our children safe.



FESTIVAL OF CHOIR NEWS

Congratulations to our 2017 Choir for doing so well at last week's assessment. Robyn Filmer, the Director of Music, visited our school on Friday morning to work with our choir. Well done everyone!

Apart from our school's allocation of 17 choir singers, we have three students in one of this year's special arena drumming ensembles. This is a new initiative designed to suit this year's concerts at the Entertainment Centre. The ensembles, comprising 30 primary school students and a high school percussion group, will perform as the massed choir of 950 students enters the arena; Matty, Drew and Keith have started training for this. Maddie G has been rehearsing with one of the primary school orchestras for several weeks now, and Emma T is rehearsing with one of the troupes, which will be adding colour and theatre to the Nutcracker Composition. And of course, Faith's lovely artwork graces the cover of our singing books and CDs, and later also the programme and certificates. Congratulations to all of you! Keep up the wonderful efforts!

Apart from being mostly a lot of fun, participation in the Festival of Music can also be very challenging. I appreciate very much the vital role that parents play in encouraging our young students to persist with this long term commitment that does not have immediate rewards. The series of six concerts will happen in Week 8 of next term, and all schools are given the exact date of our concerts in the last week of this term.



Josie W
Choir Trainer

RESOURCE CENTRE



Congratulations to Hamish R, the winner of our *Guess how many books live in the Resource Centre* competition. Hamish's guess of 9642 was very close to the actual answer of 9628! Hamish chose a book voucher as his prize.

Our current competition involves students writing book recommendations. These recommendations will be attached to the shelves to assist borrowers in their search for a good book.

Everyone who completes a recommendation will have their name entered into the draw to win a book or a book voucher. Three lucky winners will be announced at Week 9 Assembly.

Jo Mc

HOCKEY CLINIC



Hockey SA recently ran a one-off clinic for students in Rooms 3, 6, 7, 8 and 10. Students used plastic sticks and softer balls as they learnt the fundamentals of holding a stick and dribbling. Any students interested in playing more hockey can visit hookin2hockey.com.au to find the club nearest to your home. Matches are often played on a Sunday morning.

Alex F

RESPONDING TO ABUSE AND NEGLECT (RAN) TRAINING

All volunteers must complete the RAN induction session for volunteers. This includes people on Governing Council. The session explains what you are expected to do if you have concerns about the safety or wellbeing of children and young people.

The training may be undertaken online or face-to-face. For both types of sessions, a certificate of participation is provided when complete. The certificate is transferrable across DECD sites. For online sessions, the site leader must sign the certificate to endorse the volunteer's participation.

ONLINE SESSION

Volunteers must speak to a DECD site leader (Heather) before they start the online course.

The RAN-EC online induction session takes about 90 minutes and includes an assessment.

ON SITE TRAINING

We are providing 2 opportunities to undertake the training here at school this term.

- **morning session THURSDAY 8 JUNE 2017 at 9.00am**
- **evening session WEDNESDAY 14 JUNE 2017 at 7.00pm**

Please allow 90 minutes. Both sessions will be held in the Resource Centre.

The facilitator will be from the SA Association of School Parent Communities (SAASPC)

Please confirm your attendance with Heather or Jo S.

MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE

Congratulations to our lucky winners of our 'Mother's Day Raffle'

We made \$1717



to *Danni Sherman*

who did an amazing job organizing the donations and tickets!



BIGGEST MORNING TEA

In support of



We will host

“The Great

Eden Hills Primary School

Bake Off.”

Wednesday

7 JUNE 2017

During & After Assembly



Students of Eden Hills Primary.

You are invited to ask family members/friends to enter our Bake Off in support of the Cancer Council.

We ask that you bake a cake or provide fresh produce for our trading table (labelled with the ingredients used).

All people who provide produce for our stall on the day will receive a raffle ticket for each item donated, to give them the opportunity to win a prize.

Cakes will be for sale after assembly in the SAC and there will be a Morning Tea in the Resource Centre for you to invite your families to attend.

Any donations made on the day in the collection boxes and all proceeds from our fresh produce stall will be donated to the Cancer Council.

We would love you to join in to make this a successful event.